



Virginia Naturally Annual Report for Calendar Year 2009

Business Plan Actions: To increase the number of partner organizations; communicate with partners; develop regional networks; create online directory of partner resources; increase stewardship by 10%; and promote professional development opportunities, grant funding and new EE resources.

Reporting period: January 1 – December 31, 2009

- Virginia Naturally website received 323,608 hits.
- **59** organizations signed up as **new partners** during this calendar year.
- **9** electronic newsletters sent out to partner base over **800** organizations and **1,500** educators.
- Training provided to **847** community educators (formal and non-formal) and **47** professional development and/or training workshops; coordination, public information and resources provided to **1,837** people at **27** outreach events by VaN Coordinator. **5** new educational resources created and implemented across the state.
- **161** partners attended the annual Environment Education Conference at the Virginia Museum of Natural History in Martinsville on September 17 – 18.
- Two rounds of Virginia **Classroom Grants** were awarded to **52** schools **\$37,600** grant funds.
- **52** schools earned recognition as a Virginia Naturally School for their efforts during the 2008 – 2009 school year.
- **Stewardship Virginia** reported that 5,422 volunteers received certificates for 303 projects that were conducted during the spring and fall campaigns. Of the 303 projects that were registered, 137 were waterway cleanups.

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